

Spaulding Oct. 11, '54

Dear Doctor Gray

Will you no objections is that
but we can do better. You have hon-
ored me from time to time with a
heap of things and I have never
had my wits about me to return
the compliment when I had a
chance I have a legitimate one
here and let us name the clean
little thing S. Grayi (or Grayi if better),
Chapm. ined. That looks better, and it
so has happend there are few of them
in the books.

I was not aware of your being in press
is it in continuation of the Synop. H. N. A.?
I hope so and at all events get as much
of the Compos in print as you can for

you alone know anything about them
anyhow I am free to confess that I
do not send you are not to "live always"
That overhauling of Solidago & Aster was a
grand thing.

I have been assessing my collection of
last summer lately, and find a
Rudbeck which I thought was R. Heliofida,
but S. D. Smith has just sent me under
that name something he got at Columbus
which looks different and I believe he gets
you or Watson to look over his collection
Mine, if it had 3-lobed leaves would be
very like R. subtormentosa. Can't you
separate R. triloba var pinifolia from the West-
ern type? I believe it is a species.

Useful cold winter here and oranges
& Truck farm gone up.

Yours truly G. S. Davis

A. W. Chapman

P.S. Katie is not with me this winter but
with her sister in Rome who is quite
poorly.